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Date: July 9, 2007

Mr. John Donahue, Superintendent
Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area
USDI National Park Service
Bushkill, PA 18324

Dear John:

On June 21, 2007, I conducted an aerial survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. Approximately 726 acres of light defoliation (30-50%) and 4,304 acres of heavy defoliation (51-100 %) were detected on site while 1.5 acres of light defoliation and 421 acres of heavy defoliation were detected in the immediate vicinity (Figures 1 and 2).

If you anticipate requesting either financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2008, please contact Brad Onken (304) 285-1546 or me (304) 285-1555 before August 24, 2007.

Please contact me at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

Rodney L. Whiteman

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Enclosure

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Figure 1. -- Results of the aerial detection survey at the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area June 21, 2007. (Northern half)

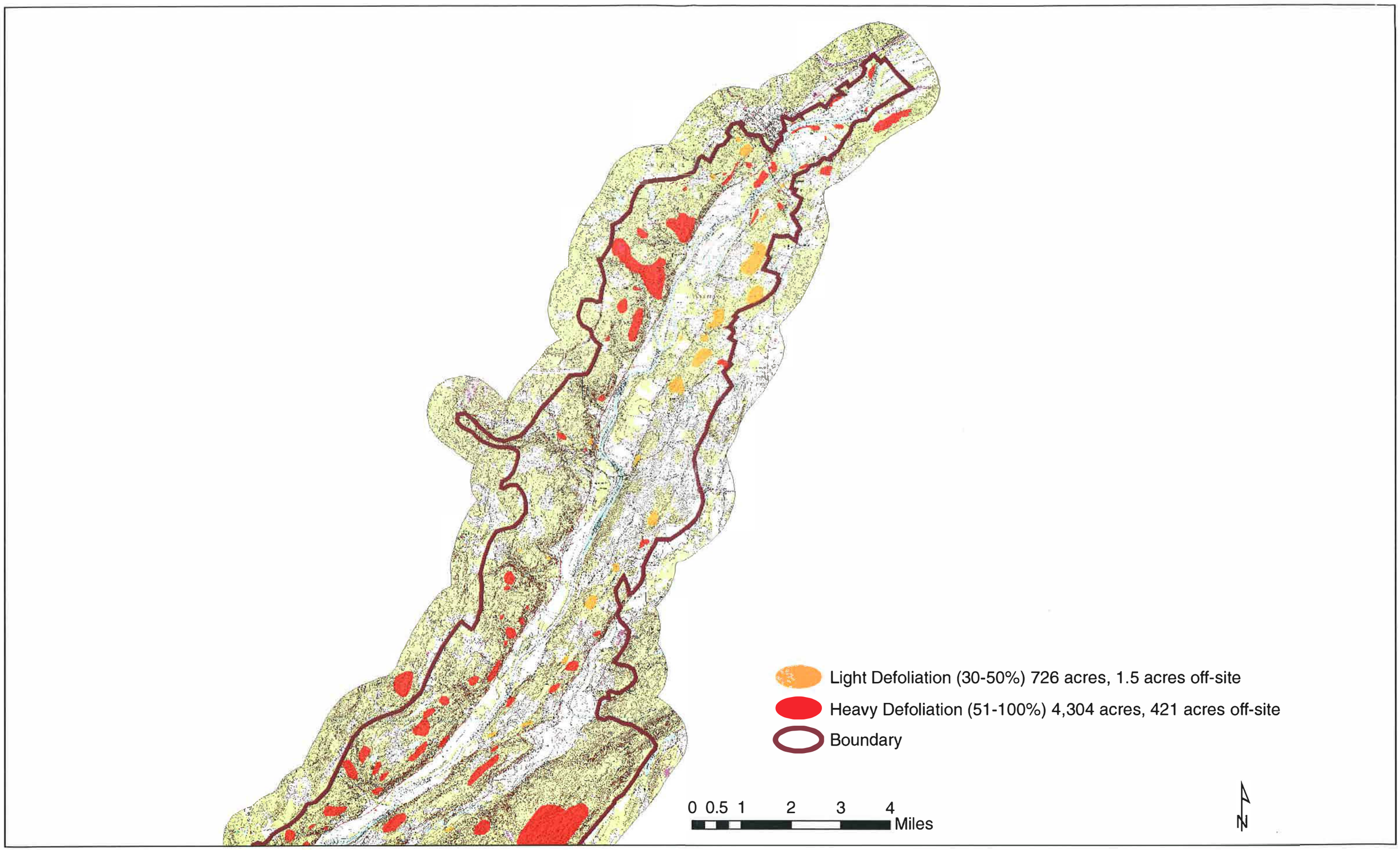
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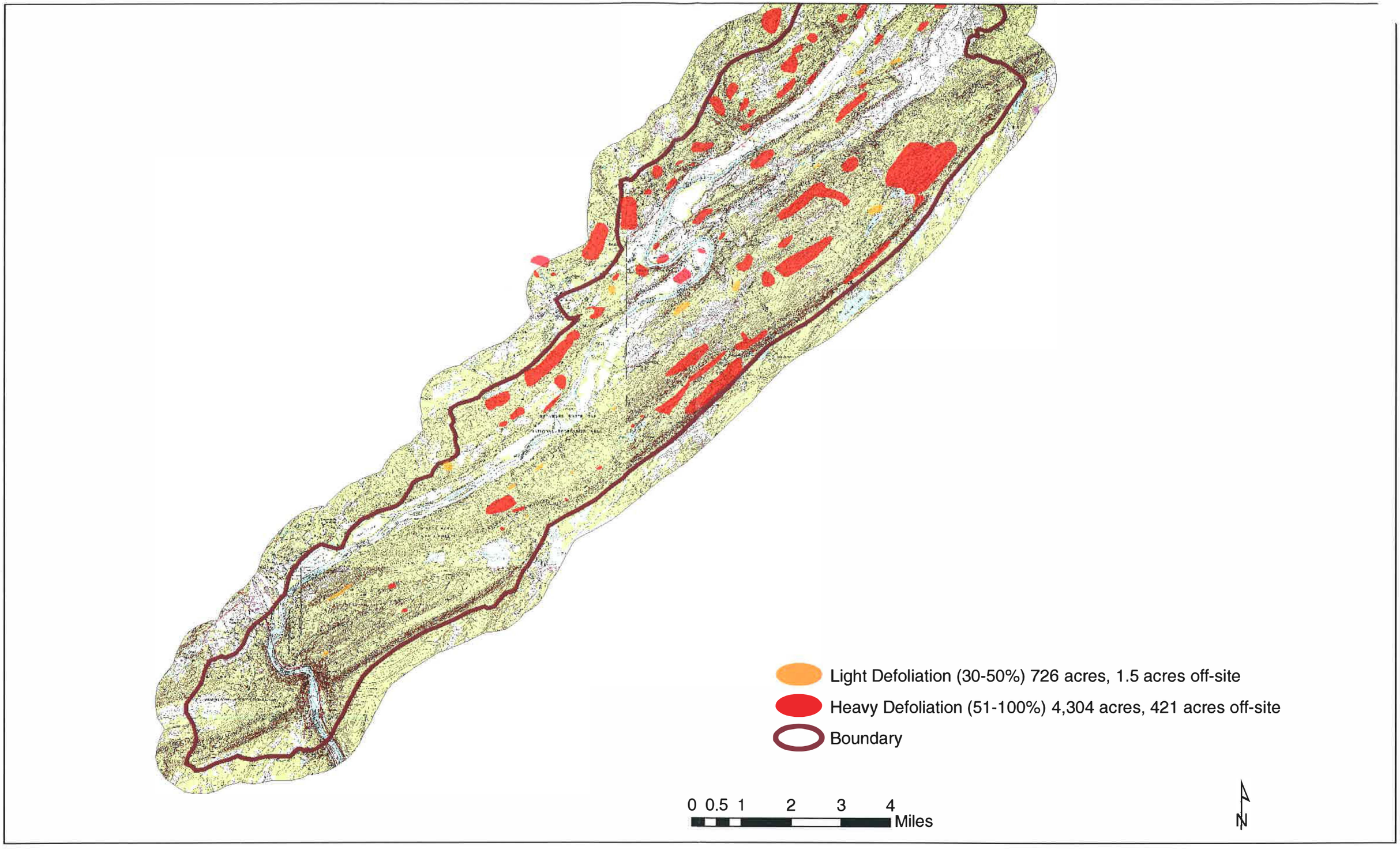
Figure 2. -- Results of the aerial detection survey at the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area June 21, 2007. (Southern half)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